

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT
HARTFORD DIVISION**

INSTRUCTIONS:

Attached you will find your summons and notice of pretrial conference, order on pretrial deadlines and Form 7026(f). Service should be made within ten days from the date of issuance of summons and pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004. A copy of the summons and notice of pretrial conference, your complaint, the order on pretrial deadlines, and Form 7026(f) must be included in the service.

After you have filled out the certificate of service on the reverse side of the original summons, you should mail it to the bankruptcy court immediately.

If you wish to dismiss the complaint it should be done pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7041 and Loc. R. Bankr. P. 7041-1.

Deborah S. Hunt
CLERK, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT

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To: Counsel and Pro Se parties in Adversary Proceedings

ORDER ON PRETRIAL DEADLINES

1. The Court hereby orders that the parties adhere to the following deadlines and file the specified papers with the Clerk of the Court at Hartford and with each other, on or before the following dates:

(a) At least fourteen (14) days before the scheduled pretrial conference, the parties shall meet pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f). During this conference, a party shall notify the opposing party of any curable defects in the pleadings that will be subject of motion to dismiss if not cured. Within ten (10) days thereafter, the parties shall jointly file with the Court a report on Form 7026(f), attached hereto. Failure to conduct a Rule 26(f) conference and file Form 7026(f) may result in dismissal of the adversary proceeding, entry of a default, or imposition of sanctions or other appropriate relief.

(b) The parties will exchange at or within 14 days after the Rule 26(f) conference the pre-discovery disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1).

(c) In accordance with Rule 26(d), formal discovery may not commence until the parties have conferred as required by Rule 26(d). Informal discovery by agreement of the parties is encouraged and may commence at anytime. Unless otherwise ordered, discovery shall be completed within ninety (90) days after the filing of the complaint.

(d) All motions relating to joinder of parties, claims or remedies, class certification, and amendment of the pleadings shall be filed within sixty (60) days after the filing of the complaint.

(e) All dispositive motions shall be filed within one hundred (100) days after the filing of the complaint. The filing of such motions shall not stay discovery or extend the time for completing discovery.

2. This order may be modified pursuant to Form 7026(f), on motion by any party for good cause shown, or by the Court acting sua sponte. Unless specifically ordered by the Court, an extension of time to comply with any one of the deadlines in this Order does not extend the time to comply with subsequent deadlines.

3. The Clerk shall serve a copy of this Order on the plaintiff upon filing of the complaint. The plaintiff shall serve each defendant with the complaint, the summons and notice of pretrial conference, and this Order On Pretrial Deadlines along with Form 7026(f).

4. Parties can elect not to attend the scheduled pretrial conference provided that the parties: (i) state in Form 7026(f) that they will not appear at the scheduled pretrial conference; (ii) agree on a date for the final pretrial conference in Form 7026(f); and (iii) do not wish to utilize the Hartford County Bar Association Bankruptcy Court Mediation Program. If the parties elect not to utilize the scheduled pretrial conference, the Court, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b), will enter a scheduling order for a final pretrial conference based upon the parties Form 7026(f) filed with the Court.

5. Counsel and Pro Se parties are advised that motions for summary judgement will be granted unless the party opposing such motion sets forth, in the manner specified in Fed. R. Civ. P. 56 and Local Civil Rule 9(c), specific facts to demonstrate the existence of a genuine issue for trial.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this _____ day of _____

BY THE COURT

Deborah S. Hunt

DEBORAH S. HUNT, CLERK

FORM 7026(f)
REPORT OF PARTIES' PLANNING MEETINGS
USE SEPARATE PARAGRAPHS OR SUBPARAGRAPHS
AS NECESSARY IF THE PARTIES DISAGREE

In re:

Bankr. Case No. _____

Plaintiff

vs

Defendant

Adv. Pro. No. _____

1. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P 26(f) made applicable by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7026, a conference was held on _____. The Participants were:

_____ for plaintiff _____
Name of attorney Name of party

_____ for defendant _____
Name of attorney Name of party

It is agreed that the above captioned adversary proceeding is a check one:

_____ core proceeding . See 28 U.S.C § 157 (b) (2).

_____ proceeding related to a case under title 11 as to which all of the parties have have not consented to the entry of appropriate orders and judgements by a bankruptcy judge. See 28 U.S.C. § 157 (c) (2)

2. The parties request do not request a modification of the date of the pretrial conference and of the deadlines in the Order on Pretrial Deadlines as follows:

(a) The parties will appear will not appear at the pretrial conference scheduled for _____ and _____ request that a scheduling order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) not be entered until such pretrial conference occurs. _____ request that a scheduling order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) be entered based upon this Form 7026(f).

(b) pre-discovery disclosures required by Rule 16(a)(1) shall be exchanged no later than _____.

(c) the parties be allowed until _____ to file all motions relating to joinder of parties, claims or remedies, and class certification, and amendment of the pleadings.

(d) The parties be allowed until _____ to complete discovery.

(e) The parties be allowed until _____ to file all dispositive motions.

3. The parties request a final pretrial conference nor earlier than _____

Date: _____

PLAINTIFF
BY _____

DEFENDANT
BY _____